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FAXOGRAM: Water Order Change

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Attention: Resource Coordinator, Deb Mullowney

From: Reservoir and River Operations, Billings, Montana /S/ Tim H. Felchle

Subject: Canyon Ferry Water Release Order - CFR No. 15-06

CURRENT RESERVOIR CONDITIONS:

Elevation: 3786.75; Storage: 1,560,875 acre-feet; River Release: 4,700 cfs; Inflow: 4,875 cfs;

GENERAL COMMENTS:

The governor re-alignments on the units of the Canyon Ferry Powerplant were completed on January 29, 2015. At that time, all units were available for generating power. In response, the following operation changes are required at Canyon Ferry Dam and Powerplant.

CANYON FERRY RELEASES AND OPERATIONS: Times are Mountain Standard Time (MST)

On Thursday, January 29, 2015 following re-alignment of the powerplant units:

Decrease releases through the river outlet gates to 0 cfs. Maintain releases through the spillway gates at 0 cfs. Increase turbine release to $\approx 4,700$ cfs ($\approx 1,140$ MW-Hrs/day using 99.0 cfs/mw). Maintain release for Helena Valley Project at 0 cfs. Maintain release to the Missouri River at 4,700 cfs. Maintain total release from Canyon Ferry at 4,700 cfs.